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### **Governor Hoeven Proclaims *North Dakota Recycles Day* *North Dakotans Encouraged To Recycle***

BISMARCK, N.D. – Gov. John Hoeven has proclaimed Nov. 15, 2009, as *North Dakota Recycles Day*.

*North Dakota Recycles Day* recognizes the value of waste reduction, composting, the reuse of products and materials, and purchasing recycled products. The national *Recycles Day* theme is “It All Comes Back To You!” with the goal of helping to ensure a safe and healthy environment and an improved quality of life for present and future generations.

“Protecting and preserving the state’s natural resources is important to the citizens of North Dakota,” said Steve Tillotson, assistant director for the Division of Waste Management of the North Dakota Department of Health. “*North Dakota Recycles Day* is an opportunity for North Dakotans to adopt recycling habits that will bring about a cleaner, safer, and healthier environment for present and future generations.”

Organizations involved in the promotion of *North Dakota Recycles Day* include the North Dakota Department of Health; North Dakota Solid Waste and Recycling Association; Coalition for Conservation and Environmental Education; HAV-IT Recycling; Keep North Dakota Clean; Minot Vocational Adjustment Workshop; The Arc, Upper Valley; and The Arlis Saxon Eco-Kids Project.

*Please note: Proclamation follows.*

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PROCLAMATION  
**NORTH DAKOTA RECYCLES DAY 2009**  
November 15, 2009

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of North Dakota recognize the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources and are working to adopt conscientious living habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer and healthier environment; and

**WHEREAS**, North Dakota has initiated many positive and successful waste reduction programs that help ensure a safe and healthy environment and an enhanced quality of life for present and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to continue to focus on recycling-related initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, the reuse of products and materials, and purchasing recycled products and packaging; and

**WHEREAS**, by encouraging businesses, state agencies, nonprofit organizations, schools and individuals to celebrate North Dakota Recycles Day, we can further promote recycling as an environmentally efficient and economically beneficial way of life; and

**WHEREAS**, North Dakota citizens are encouraged to get involved in recycling activities and to learn more about the many recycled products and packaging available to them as consumers.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 15, 2009, **NORTH DAKOTA RECYCLES DAY** in the state of North Dakota.

John Hoeven  
Governor

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